## **DECEMBER 2014**



# THE FREMONT NEWSLETTER

We're Building Community

## FREMONT PD AWARDS CEREMONY



The Fremont Police Department would like to invite residents and friends to join us in honoring our officers who have gone above and beyond the call of duty over the past year. Several awards will be bestowed upon various officers for their acts of bravery, life saving actions, and other achievements.

It will be held at Ellis School at 3:00 pm on Sunday November 30, 2014. Please join us!

## FREMONT FOOD PANTRY CHRISTMAS BASKETS

The Fremont Food Pantry is working to replenish their shelves for the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday Baskets. If you would like to help the Food Pantry by donating items, the following is a list of items needed at the present time:

Peanut Butter Jelly Tuna
Mayonaise Cereal Juice
Laundry Soap Turkeys Hams
Turkey Pans Stuffing Mix Gravy
Cranberry Sauce Vegetables

Paper products – toilet paper, paper towels, toiletry items Gift Card to Hannaford, Market Basket or Walmart \$10 Gift Cards for Dollar Tree

Food donations can be dropped off at the Fremont Town Hall during normal business hours. If you would like more information on how you can help, please contact Stephanie at 895 4454. All calls to the Fremont Food Pantry are confidential.

If you would like to arrange for a Christmas holiday basket for your family, please contact Stephanie at 895 4454. Please be sure to call no later than Monday December 18, 2014. Basket distribution will take place on December 23, 2014 at 9:00 am.

## **PUMC GIVING TREE PROGRAM**

The Fremont Giving Tree is an annual community event at Christmas to help brighten the holidays for Fremont residents in need. This event has been successful over the years because of the generosity of our close knit community. The gifts distributed have included toys, games, new winter jackets, snow boots, snow pants, hats/gloves/mittens, winter clothing, stocking stuffers, wrapping paper, tapes and bows! We have also provided gift baskets to some of our senior residents in need containing, gift cards to local stores & gas stations, stationary w/stamps, plants, chocolates and many different goodies to make the holiday special.

We know that these economic times continue to be difficult for everyone, but if you are able to help us this year it would be greatly appreciated. There are many ways to help by sponsoring a child, purchasing a toy off his/her list, gift cards, donating wrapping paper or a monetary donation made out to the Peoples UMC Fremont Giving Tree. There is never a gift too small in the eyes of a child on Christmas morning! This event is run solely on the support and donations from our community and volunteers.

If you are family that needs some assistance that the Fremont Giving Tree can provide, or you would like to help the Giving Tree by donating, please call Dawn at 603-244-2145. \*\* Please note that the deadline for signing up is Friday November 28<sup>th</sup> \*\*



## WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA: WAYS TO HONOR AND HELP OUR VETERANS

The Wreaths Across America Program in Fremont offers many opportunities for community members and organizations to honor and help our veterans.

Maybe you'd like to knit or crochet a hat for a homeless veteran. In September, we began collecting home-made hats and currently have approximately 150 in hand. We gathered over 200 last year and would love to have even more to give this year. Fifty of these hats top the stockings we stuff with toiletries. Hats can be dropped off at the Kingston Community Library in Kingston, NH during library hours through December 19<sup>th</sup>.

Toiletries are needed to stuff those fifty stockings. Soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, shaving cream, disposable razors, hand lotion and shampoo would be greatly appreciated. Again, please drop your donation off at the Kingston Community Library by December 19th. You are welcome to join us on Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 am to stuff the stockings for our homeless veterans who are serviced by the Liberty House in Manchester and the Veterans Northeast Outreach Center in Haverhill. New and gently used quilts and afghans are also needed.

Sponsoring a wreath to be placed on a veteran's gravesite in Fremont is another option. Wreaths cost \$15. Ten dollars cover the cost and delivery of the wreath. The remaining five dollars is given to the two homeless veterans centers previously mentioned. Full and partial sponsorships can be arranged for by phone. Please call 603 895 6658.

Volunteers are needed to unload the truck when the wreaths arrive as well as to place wreaths on the gravesites. We expect the wreaths to be delivered sometime between Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. You'll need a flexible schedule as we usually find out when the truck will delivering the wreaths the day before. Just call 603 895 6658 and we'll add you to the list.

Perhaps you'd like to place a star on our Heroes Christmas Tree to remember a friend or family member who has served. There is no cost. Once again, please call 603 895 6658 and a star naming your loved one will be placed on the tree in front of the Fremont Town Hall during the holiday season. Currently, 500 stars decorate the tree in remembrance of our veterans.

On December 13<sup>th</sup> at 12 NOON, our annual Wreaths of Remembrance Ceremony will take place. Please join us at the Veterans Memorial Monument in front of the Fremont Town Hall at 295 Main Street. These ceremonies are a part of a day of nation-wide ceremonies, including one held at Arlington National Cemetery, that remember and honor our veterans. Please bring your children so they can learn how important a sacrifice our veterans have made for their freedom.

For information regarding any of these opportunities to honor and help our veterans, both past and present, please call Gerry Tilley at 603 895 6658. Thanks!



## **CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES!**

Be sure to change the batteries in all of your home's smoke and CO detectors if you did not do so when changing the clocks to daylight savings this fall!

Keep your family and home safe!!

## THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS

During the week of Thanksgiving, Town Offices are CLOSED Thursday November 27 and Friday November 28.

## The TOWN CLERK TAX COLLECTOR will be open:

Monday Nov 24 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Tuesday Nov 25 from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm Wednesday Nov 26 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

## The SELECTMEN'S OFFICE will be open:

Monday Nov 24 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Tuesday & Wednesday Nov 25 & 26 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Selectmen will meet at 6:00 pm on Monday November 24, 2014 for a work session.

#### The BUILDING INSPECTOR will be open:

Tuesday Nov 25 from 8:30 to 10:00 am and 1:00 to 4:30 pm Wednesday Nov 26 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm

### The PLANNING & ZONING OFFICE will be open:

Tuesday Nov 25 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and 1:00 to 4:30 pm Wednesday Nov 26 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

TRASH and RECYCLING collections are delayed one day **during the Thanksgiving holiday week**. Thursday collections will be on Friday November 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday collections will be on Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup>.

## **CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS OFFICE HOURS**

During the weeks of Christmas and New Years, the Town Hall is CLOSED Wednesday through Friday December 24-26, 2014. All Town Offices will be CLOSED on January 1, 2015.

## The TOWN CLERK TAX COLLECTOR will be open:

Monday Dec 22 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Tuesday Dec 23 7:30 am to 5:00 pm Tuesday Dec 30 7:30 am to 3:00 pm

Wednesday Dec 31 7:30 am to 3:00 pm

Friday Jan 2 9:00 am to 12 noon

## The SELECTMEN'S OFFICE will be open:

Monday Dec 22 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Tuesday Dec 23 7:30 am to 5:00 pm

Monday Dec 29 8:00 am to 12 noon

Tuesday Dec 30 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

Selectmen meet December 30, 2014 at 6:00 pm.

Wednesday Dec 31 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

8:00 am to 12 noon Friday Jan 2

## The BUILDING INSPECTOR will be open:

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## FREMONT SOUVENIR BOOKLETS

There are still some Souvenir Booklets from the Town of Fremont 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration available! They are free for pickup at the Fremont Town Hall!

www.Fremont.nh.gov

## FREMONT COMMUNITY TV

Fremont Community TV is underway. Volunteers from the community are updating the cable channel 22 community bulletin board. If you have notices that you want to reach viewers in Fremont, email them to fremontctv@gmail.com (for Fremont Community TV). The volunteers will get to them as soon as possible.

Thank you to Bruce White and Kevin Woods for their time volunteering to make this happen!

The Selectmen will be appointing members for a Community Cable Advisory Committee tasked to develop and manage cable TV, act as intermediaries regarding contract compliance by the cable operator(s), be a point of contact for public complaints and concerns regarding cable service, and train outside residents or organizations in the use of cable equipment for public access productions.

In order to begin broadcasting meetings and events, FCTV needs vour help! If you would like to be involved in community access TV for Fremont, please submit an email to the Selectmen's Office with your contact information and interests, to FremontTA@comcast.net.

## **BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The Budget Committee has set their schedule for the upcoming season. The Committee will meet on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the main floor meeting room at the Fremont Town Hall as follows: December 3, 2014

> December 10, 2014 December 17, 2014

The Public Budget Hearing for the Town and School District budget reviews will be held on Tuesday January 13, 2015 at the Fremont Town Hall at 7:00 pm. If a second night is needed for completion, or there is inclement weather, Wednesday January 14. 2015 has also been reserved for the meeting.

## FREMONT SOUVENIR FLAGS

The Fremont Historical Society has received another order for the Fremont 250<sup>th</sup> Souvenir Flag. Get yours before they are all gone! To get yours, visit the Selectmen's Office, Library, or Police Station during business hours. The cost is \$35.00. Cash or check payable to the Fremont Historical Society.

This makes a great Christmas gift, get yours as soon as possible!



## 2015 DELIBERATIVE SESSIONS

Mark your calendar for the Town 2015 Deliberative Session to be held at 7:00 pm on Monday February 2, 2015. In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be held on Wednesday February 4, 2015 at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held at Pettengill Hall in the Ellis School, 432 Main Street in Fremont.

Town Petition Warrant Articles are due in the Selectmen's Office (295 Main Street in Fremont) by 12 noon on Tuesday January 13,

The School District 2015 Deliberative Session will be held at 9:00 am on Saturday January 31, 2015. In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be held on Tuesday February 3, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting will be held at Pettengill Hall in the Ellis School, 432 Main Street in Fremont.

School District Petition Warrant Articles are due in the SAU Office (5 Hall Road Suite 1 in Fremont) by 12 noon on Tuesday January 13, 2015.

## **RIVER LOVERS NEEDED**

Fremont is very fortunate to have two beautiful rivers in its midstthe Exeter River and the Lamprey River. Both of these rivers are well served by volunteer river advisory committees that advocate for wise use and stewardship of water quality and quantity, wildlife habitat, and scenic, historic, and recreational resources.

The Exeter-Squamscott River Local Advisory Committee serves the Exeter-Squamscott River, and the Lamprey River Advisory Committee serves the Lamprey River. Both committees are in need of Fremont residents interested in representing the town. For more information, please contact Theresa Walker of the Rockingham Planning Commission at <a href="mailto:twalker@rpc-nh.org">twalker@rpc-nh.org</a>, or 778 0885.

## **2014 TAX RATE**

Second issue tax bills were mailed on November 10<sup>th</sup> and are due by December 12, 2014. The tax rate went down slightly to \$28.22 per thousand.

If you have any questions about your assessment or an abatement, please contact the Selectmen's Office at 896 2226 x 11. If you have any questions about payment or making payment arrangements, please contact the Tax Collector at 895 8693 x 16 or by email at <a href="mailto:remontClerk@comcast.net">FremontClerk@comcast.net</a>.

## ELECTION WORKERS SEASONAL PART-TIME POSITION

The Town of Fremont is seeking applicants for part-time seasonal work to assist in setup and takedown of election equipment and materials. Positions are hourly, non-exempt and may be for a couple of hours pre and post each election (Local, State and Federal). Position requires help with packaging, unpackaging, setup and takedown of voting booths and cleaning and organizing of election areas (currently held at Ellis School). Must be able to lift at least 50 pounds. Position reports to the Board of Selectmen and will be paid at \$10.00 per hour.

Interested candidates should submit a letter outlining interest and qualifications addressed to: Election Worker Position c/o Board of Selectmen, PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044 as soon as possible. Interested candidates encouraged to apply as soon as possible, with our desire to fill the position in a timely manner. The Town of Fremont is an EOE. Contact the Selectmen's Office for a job description and additional details.

#### **NEW VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS**

When registering a vehicle that is less than 15 years old, you must provide either of the following: the title, signed by the previous owner or the title application that the dealer gave you. If you have the title, all owners MUST be present when registering, with their valid ID, to sign the title application. If you have the title application, anyone can register your vehicle for you, on your behalf, however they must present their ID.

## TRANSFER OF PLATES

If you are transferring plates from your old vehicle to another one you MUST turn in the current registration for the old vehicle. This has to be sent to the state with the transfer documentation. Failure to have this document in hand will require you to purchase a duplicate at a cost of \$18.00.

Please note: PLATES CAN ONLY BE TRANSFERRED FROM ONE VEHICLE TO ANOTHER IF THE PRIMARY OWNER REMAINS THE SAME.

## MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION RENEWAL & DOG LICENSING RENEWAL AVAILABLE ON-LINE!





Internet transactions will be accepted through a kiosk to <u>renew</u> your motor vehicle registrations and <u>renew</u> your dog licenses from your computer at home. Customers will be directed to a secure web site through the kiosk. The Town of Fremont will receive all applicable fees and there is no charge to the Town for the electronic payment. Customers are charged a convenience fee for the transaction.

All inquiries are directed through our software provider's website and there is no direct access to the Town's computers or their systems.

Go to <a href="www.fremont.nh.gov">www.fremont.nh.gov</a> and look for the online service links shown below, on the Town Clerk page:





#### VEHICLE REGISTRATION RENEWALS

When renewing your vehicle registration or boat registration in person, you **MUST** provide the Clerk's office with the current registration or the "courtesy" renewal notice that you received in the mail. This is a State law.

#### ID FOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

When registering a vehicle with the Town Clerk's office you MUST present a valid photo id or driver's license in order for your transaction to be completed. This requirement has been issued by the NH Department of Safety – Fraud Unit.

## LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Fremont Library Trustees are accepting applications for a part-time Library Director to oversee operations of the Fremont Public Library. Library Director oversees a part-time staff of 3-4 to include a Children's Librarian, Young Adult Librarian and up to two other assistant staff members. Position is approximately 30 hours per week, permanent part-time, hourly/non-exempt and reports to a three member board of Library Trustees.

Job Summary includes but is not limited to:

Directs and coordinates the daily operations of the public library Plans and organizes the library's program of service to the public

- Manages staff performance and development
- •Oversees the library IT and ensures proper access, maintenance and functioning of all equipment for the community and staff
- Creates annual budget proposal to submit for trustee approval
- •Manages library budget throughout the year so as to not exceed the annual budget
- •Partners with town officials in accordance with library needs and town policy

A full job description is available on the Town's website at <a href="https://www.Fremont.nh.gov">www.Fremont.nh.gov</a> on the Home Page or by contacting the Selectmen's Office or Fremont Library Trustees. Position is appointed by the Library Trustees and is subject to all policies and procedures of the Town of Fremont NH.

Please submit resume through email only to <a href="FremontPLT@gmail.com">FremontPLT@gmail.com</a> as soon as possible. Position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found, and interested candidates are encouraged to apply as soon as possible so that the position can be filled. Pay will be commensurate with experience and will be discussed at time of job offer. The Town of Fremont is an EOE.

## LIBRARY HOUSEKEEPING POSITION

Library Trustees are seeking applicants for a part-time hourly position for housekeeping and cleaning duties at the Fremont Public Library. Position may be up to 10 hours per week, and is hourly, non-exempt with a \$10.00 per hour rate of pay. Position requires cleaning of all library areas, washing windows, vacuuming and other light housekeeping duties as assigned. Position reports to the Library Trustees/Librarian.

Interested candidates should submit a letter outlining interest and qualifications addressed to: Library Housekeeping c/o Library Trustees, 7 Jackie Bernier Drive, Fremont NH 03044 as soon as possible. Interested candidates are encouraged to apply as soon as possible, with our desire to fill the position in a timely manner. The Town of Fremont is an EOE. See the job description on the Town's website or as posted at Town Buildings.

#### SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

The Fremont Police and Fire Departments are pleased to announce that the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Fremont Santa Claus Parade will be held on Saturday, December 13, 2014. The Rain Date for the Parade will be Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

The Parade procession is scheduled to leave the Fremont Safety Complex at 10:00 am. The procession will run until Santa's Route has been completed. As in the past, Santa will be escorted around town by Police, Fire, and Rescue personnel. The sound of sirens, and the sight of flashing lights will announce his arrival in your neighborhood. Children of all ages are invited to come to the roadside and wave to Santa as he makes his rounds. For those few residents in town who Santa's route does not go by your home, we ask that you come to the nearest major intersection on the route, or come to the Safety Complex at 10:00 am to see Santa off.

See the posted route on the Town's website or at Town buildings and the Fremont Post Office.

#### **SRRDD 53-B REPRESENTATIVE SOUGHT**

The Selectmen are seeking an interested volunteer from the community to serve as Fremont's representative to the SRRDD 53-B (Southeast Regional Refuse Disposal District). Fremont belongs to this district with the Town's of Brentwood, Kensington, Hampton, Hampton Falls, North and South Hampton, New Castle, Rye and Sandown.

The group meets quarterly in Rye NH to review activities of the District, and is currently working on long-term disposal alternatives for towns in the district, recycling alternatives, and sponsors hazardous waste drop-off days twice per year.

If you have any interest, contact Heidi Carlson at the Selectmen's Office at 895 2226 x 10 or by email: <a href="mailto:FremontTA@comcast.net">FremontTA@comcast.net</a>. The position is appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

## PEPPERMINT PONIES 4H HORSE CLUB

Does your child love horses? Girls, boys 5 - 18 years are welcome to club meetings to learn more about horses, ponies, 4-H group & hands-on activities. No experience or horse ownership necessary. Questions, contact Jan Brubacher, Leader at 603 303 1584, j.brubacher@comcast.net, www.4hpeppermintponies.org, www.northroadfarm.com. Financial Aid available. Stop by and visit the horses and ponies! Peppermint Ponies 4-H Club is a registered non-profit organization affiliated with the UNH Cooperative Extension, Brentwood, NH est. 2004

## **GARDEN CLUB GREENS WORKSHOP**

On November 18, the FGC held their annual greens workshop event at the Fremont Public Library. Members came together with their cut greens to fashion kissing balls and swags to decorate the town buildings. Thank you to all of our members who worked so hard on this occasion. A special thank you to Sal Finocchiaro for the cutting and construction of all of the swags, and to Betty Stanley for the donation of the greens.

Members also voted to donate \$100 to the Fremont Food Pantry for their Christmas offerings.

## \*\* Check inside for holiday hours and closures\*\*

Selectmen's Office VM 10, 11 Tel: 895 2226 ~ Fax: 895 3149 Mon & Fri 8:00 am to 12 noon Tues & Wed 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Thurs 11:00 am to 5:00 pm FremontTA@comcast.net FremontTownHall@comcast.net

Tax Collector / Town Clerk 895 8693 VM 16

CLOSED Monday Tues 7:30 am to 3:00 pm Weds 12 noon to 7:00 pm Thurs 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Fri 9:00 am to 12 noon FremontClerk@comcast.net

Bldg & Planning 895 3200 Building Inspector VM 18

Tu/Th 8:30 to 10:00 am and 1:00 to 4:00 pm: Weds eves 5:00 to 7:00 pm and by appointment FremontBI@comcast.net

Planning & Zoning VM 17

Tues 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and 1:00 -4:00 pm; Weds & Thurs 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

FremontPZ@comcast.net

**Health** Bob Meade 895 3200 x 18 Welfare By appt 895 3200 x 12

**Town & Department Contacts** Police Department 895 2229 Fax 895 1116 Mon - Fri 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

EMERGENCY dial 9 1 1

Fire Rescue Business 895 9634 Office Hours M/Th 5:00 to 7:00 pm Raymond Disp 895 4222 Non-Emerg

Highway Dept - Road Agent Mark Pitkin 603 300 7429

Fremont Public Library Tel 895 9543 ~ Fax 895 0549

Mon noon to 6 pm / Tu & Th 1 to 8 pm Wed & Fri 9 am to 5 pm Sat 9 am to 2 pm

Food Pantry Stephanie 895 4454

Ellis School 895 2511 sau83.org 432 Main Street **SAU #83** 895 6903 Fax 895 6905 5 Hall Road Suite 1 Fremont NH

**Post Office** 895 2094 Mon - Fri 8:00 - 11:30 am / 2:00 - 4:30 Sat 8:00 to 11:00 am Lobby open 8-4:30 wkdays / 8-11 Sat FAA fremontathletics@yahoo.com

Trash Pickup & Recycling - Waste Management of NH - 800 847 5303

**MEETING SCHEDULE** Town Hall – Main Floor

Parks & Recreation 7:00 pm

Dec 9 Jan 13

Open Space 7:00 pm

Feb 3

**Budget Comm** 7:00 pm Dec 3, 10, 17 Jan 13, 14 Town Hall - Basement Mtg Room

Cemetery Trustees 4:00 pm Dec 2 Jan 5

Conservation Comm 7:00 pm Dec 1 Jan 5

Planning Board 7:00 pm Dec 3, 17 Jan 7, 21

Selectmen 6:00 pm

Dec 4, 11\*, 18, 30 Jan 8\*, 15\* \* denotes worksession / no appts

Zoning Board 7:30 pm Nov 25 Dec 23

Fremont Public Library

Library Trustees 4th Weds 7:00 pm Supervisors of Checklist 7-7:30 pm

Dec 2 Jan 6

Friends of Library 1<sup>st</sup> Tues 7:00 pm Garden Club 4<sup>th</sup> Tues 7:00 pm Sept through April only